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AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT IN EFFECT

In July 1990, President Bush signed the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA). The ADA is civil rights legislation which prohibits discrimination against people with disabilities and ensures them equal access to employment, public facilities, transportation and telecommunications.

The general provisions of ADA as they pertain to transportation and the Municipal Railway are as follows:

1. Public and private entities providing fixed-route or demand responsive transportation services must acquire accessible vehicles.

2. Public entities operating fixed route service must, in addition, provide complementary paratransit service such as vans and taxis for individuals who cannot use fixed route service.

3. Existing rail systems must provide accessibility at key stations and must have

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100th ANNIVERSARY OF S.F. STREETCAR SERVICE

Mark the weekend of April 25-26 on your calendars. That's when Muni and local railfan groups, including the Bay Area Electric Railroad Association, the Market Street Railway Company and the Pacific Coast Chapter of the Railway and Locomotive Historical Society, will sponsor a 100th birthday celebration of electric streetcar operation in SF, complete with historic streetcar service on Market Street.

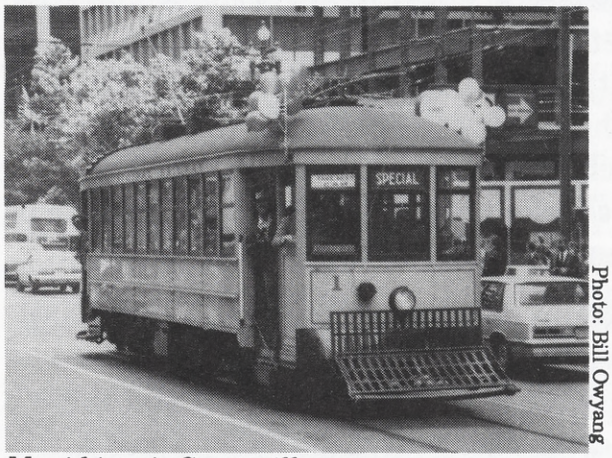

Photo: Bill Owyang

Muni historic Car 1 will carry passengers on Market Street for the Streetcar Centennial Celebration April 25-26.

Electric streetcar service began in San Francisco on April 26, 1892, with the opening-day ceremonies for the San Francisco & San Mateo Railway's new line that ran from the Ferry via Steuart and South of Market out to what is now the city of Colma in San Mateo County. Muni began its own streetcar operation with service on Geary Street in December 1912, and in 1944, all of the city's streetcar service finally came under Muni's domain with the acquisition of the much larger, privately owned Market Street Railway.

The birthday celebration will feature historic 5¢-fare streetcar service on Market Street from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 25th. On Sunday, April 26th, a gala parade of Muni's fleet of historic streetcars plus marching bands and a number of antique automobiles will begin at noon and travel down Market Street. Afterwards, a birthday

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Management Message

"Three and Three" Creates Uncertainty

Although the deadline for Proposition A's early retirement provision was the end of March, we won't know immediately what the impact will be on all City departments as far as what positions will or will not be eliminated.

As you know, Prop A also calls for the budget-saving elimination of positions left vacant by early retirements. Because certain positions are essential to various departments, however, a special committee is reviewing whether to make exceptions and fill certain positions rather than eliminating them. The combination of this review process and the fact that we won't definitely know who has retired until the first retirement checks are cashed creates a climate of uncertainty throughout the City.

Although Muni drivers, police, fire fighters and nurses are among the classifications exempt from elimination, many other positions at Muni and the PUC will be affected. This will most likely place a burden on remaining employees, who will have to assume additional responsibilities at least temporarily, if not permanently, from people who have retired.

We will all have to work together to weather this difficult transition period following the "Three and Three" deadline. Please do your best under the circumstances.

Johnny Stein
General Manager

EDITOR'S BOX

Dear Reader,

As a result of budget constraints, we are making this issue of the *Muni Memo* a combined March/April issue. You'll note we've added some pages to accommodate more information. We hope to resume our regular monthly format as soon as is practicable. In the meantime, please continue to contact us with story ideas and we'll do our best to include them in upcoming issues.

Sincerely,
Anne Milner
Editor

JOB FILE

Because of this double issue of the *Muni Memo*, it was not possible to offer job information on time.

Please note: several PUC/Muni positions come to the *Muni Memo* each month or so, but the filing deadline is almost always later than the publication deadline of the newsletter. Please be diligent about calling the Civil Service 24-hour information number at 557-4889 for general employment information, 557-4888 for currently issued job announcements and the PUC Hotline at 554-1669 for PUC/Muni positions.

EMPLOYEE NOTICE

Scholarship Offered
Friendship Publications, publisher of *Bus Ride* magazine, is holding its annual $1000 Bus Maintenance Management Scholarship Competition, open to anyone interested in a career in bus maintenance management. Request an application in writing from Friendship Publications, P.O. Box 1472, Spokane, Washington 99210-1472. Deadline for entries is June 12, 1992.

More info on page 8!

CONGRATS!

The Division Operators of the Month for February and March were:

February
Cable Car: Susan M. Parker
Flynn: Percy Freeman
Green: William G. Thrower
Kirkland: Jing Hing Woo
Potrero: Nelson Jones Jr.
Presidio: Charles S. Elmore
Woods: Edward R. Hamilton

March
Cable Car: James Bullock
Flynn: Cornelius O'Leary
Green: Maurice E. Wilson
Kirkland: Ruben Estandian
Potrero: Ben S. Newman.
Presidio: Robert E. Mahan
Woods: Ralph D. Evans

Unsung Hero

Kenneth Hon

Principal Fare Collections Receiver

BACKGROUND: Kenneth was born in Canton, China and when he was three, moved to

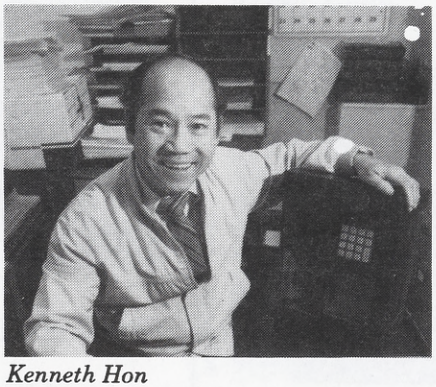


Photo: Kurt Wong

Kenneth Hon

Hong Kong, where he grew up. He worked for four-and-a-half years with the Hong Kong Treasury as a bookkeeping machine operator. In early 1969, he emigrated to the U.S. Between 1969 and 1973, he worked as a bookkeeper and assistant manager in an import and wholesale firm. In 1973, he began working for the City in the Tax Collector's Office as an account clerk. From there he went to the Treasurer's Office as a cashier and then in 1978 he joined the PUC as a Senior Fare Collections Receiver. Most of his tasks were related to collecting taxes and assorted revenues and handling large amounts of money. Kenneth attended City College in the evening and took courses in accounting and computer science. In 1984. he was promoted to his current position as a unit supervisor. On a rotating basis, he supervises the Revenue Collections Unit, Processing Unit, or the Fast Pass Office, depending on the needs of the department. The Revenue Department has different shifts and responsibilities, 24 hours per day, seven days a week. The number of workers he supervises ranges from 10 to 20, depending on the unit.

FAMILY: Kenneth married his wife Betty in 1972. She emigrated to San Francisco from China when she was eight. Betty is currently working with the SF Unified School District as an account clerk. The Hons have one son, Anthony, who is currently a junior at Lowell High School. Anthony has liked drawing since he was three. Back then, his teachers called him "little artist."

WHY MY JOB IS IMPORTANT: Fare collections is one of the major revenue sources for the Municipal Railway. As a member of the system, I serve the citizens who depend on public transportation, even though indirectly.

WHY I LIKE WHAT I DO: My job has a variety of tasks and challenges. I never feel bored with my job.

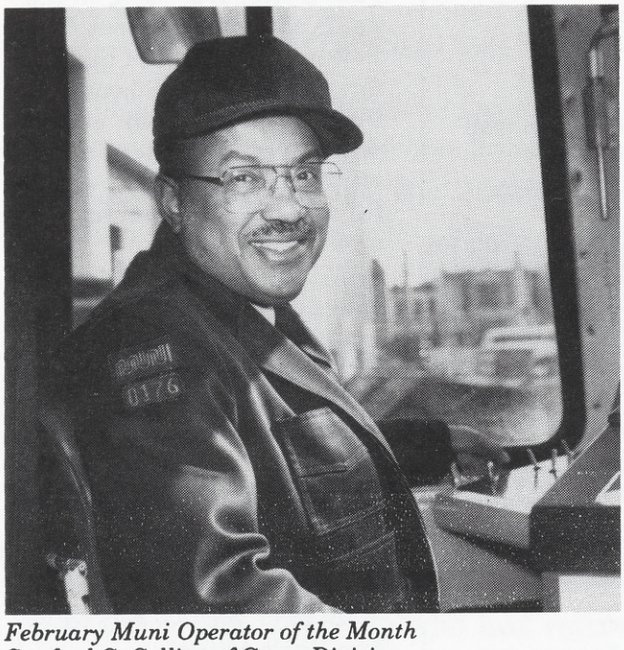
SOMETHING NOT MANY PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT ME: I serve as a board member and treasurer at my church. I take pride in helping the needy people, especially senior citizens.

HOBBIES & INTERESTS: I enjoy carpentry, minor home improvement and gardening.

WORDS OF WISDOM: Do your best and improve your job. Face the challenge and plan for the future. Help those who are less fortunate.

Awards

February Systemwide Operator of the Month



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February Muni Operator of the Month Sanford C. Collins of Green Division.

Name:	Sanford C. Collins
Division:	Green
Years with Muni:	31
Background:	
Birthplace:	Chicago, Illinois
Education:	Two years of college
Previous Employment:	Three years in the U.S. Air Force; transit operator for four years in Chicago
Marital Status:	Divorced
Children:	Loleta, Terry, Chris and Shawn
Hobbies and Interests:	He enjoys playing tennis, walking and travelling
Words of Wisdom:	"Enjoy like there's no tomorrow."

February Systemwide Operator of the Month Runner-up

Name:	Robert L. Graves Sr.
Division:	Green
Years with Muni:	30, with a 27-year Safe-Driver Award
Background:	
Birthplace:	Lexington, Kentucky
Education:	High school in Kentucky
Previous Employment:	Platoon sergeant in the US Army '52-'54, and manager for Kroger's Supermarket for six years
Marital Status:	Divorced
Children:	Two adult daughters, a son-in-law, and an 11-year-old grandson, Joey.
Hobbies and Interests:	Playing all types of sports with Joey and tinkering with a rebuilt 1965 Corvette Stingray.
Words of Wisdom:	"First of all, Muni has been good to me and my family. So I in turn have tried to do my best at Muni. Put yourself in the hands of the good Lord,and He will help you through your trying times on the job."

Photo: Kurt Wong

February Operator of the Month Runner-up Robert L. Groves Sr.of Green Division and his grandson, Joey.

Awards

February Maintenance Worker of the Month

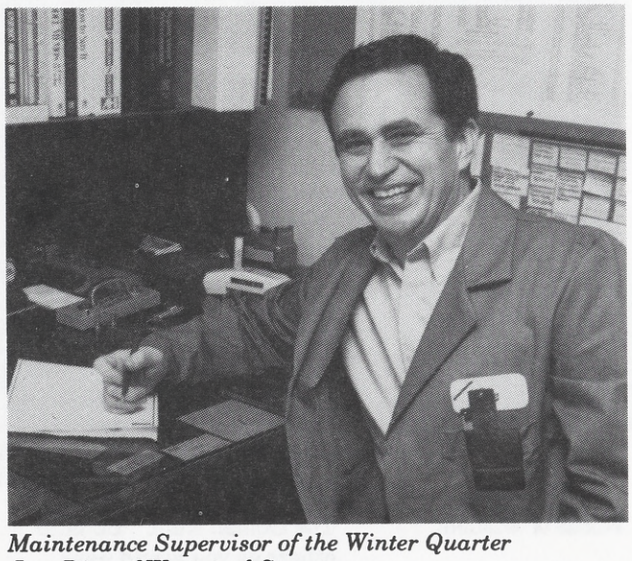
Photo: Kurt Wong

February Maintenance Worker of the Month
Choy-Hing Pong of Ways and Structures

Name:	Choy-Hing Pong
Position:	Custodian and Acting Supervisor
Department:	Ways and Structures
Years with Muni:	12
Background:	
Birthplace:	China
Education:	High school in China and adult school in SF
Previous Employment:	Custodian at City Hall in SF
Marital Status:	Married to Calvin, an electrical surveyor at Hunter's Point
Children:	Sanford, 21
Hobbies and Interests:	Shopping, visiting friends and helping others
Words of Wisdom:	"Get together and be happy."

Maintenance Supervisor of the Winter Quarter

Name:	Jose Diaz
Division:	Ways and Structures
Position:	Special Machine Shop Supervisor
Years with Muni:	8
Background:	
Birthplace:	San Juan, Puerto Rico
Education:	B.A. Psychology, University of Puerto Rico
Previous Employment:	FABCO, Emeryville
Marital Status:	Married to Laurie, an invoicing clerk at Del Monte in SF
Children:	Christina, 15, from a previous marriage
Hobbies/Interests:	Gunsmithing, target shooting, deep-sea fishing and photography
Words of Wisdom:	"I think we are very privileged to work for the City of SF, and we should give it nothing less than our best."



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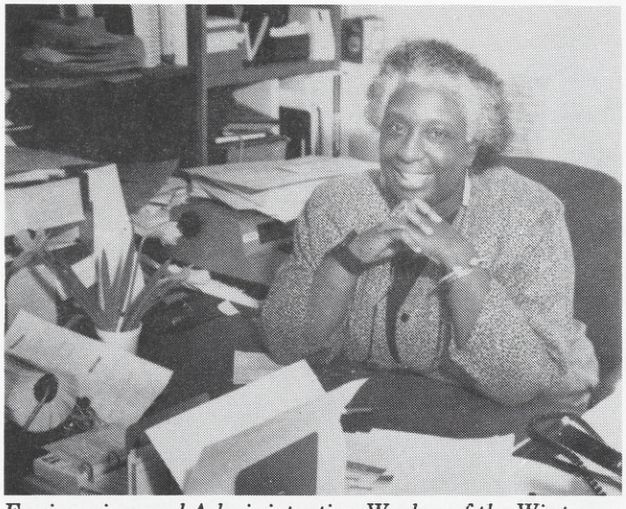
Maintenance Supervisor of the Winter Quarter
Jose Diaz of Ways and Structures

Awards

Engineering and Administration Worker of the Winter Quarter



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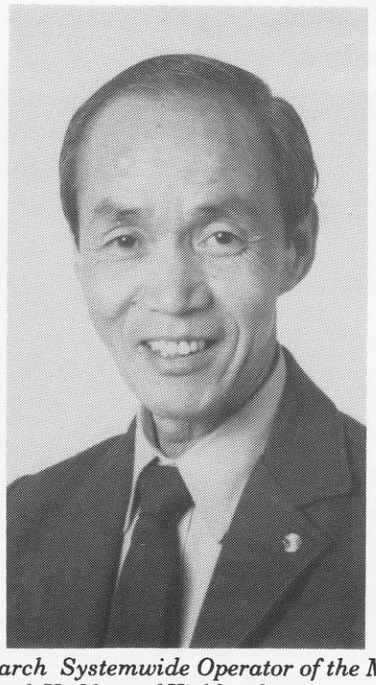
Engineering and Administration Worker of the Winter Quarter Patricia Moore of the General Manager's Office

Name:	Patricia Moore
Division:	General Manager's Office
Years with Muni:	Four and one-half (21 with the City)
Background:	
Birthplace:	San Francisco
Education:	George Washington High School and City College of SF
Previous Employment:	Sixteen years with the SF Unified School District and six years with the federal government US Postal Service and Social Security
Marital Status:	Divorced
Children:	Twins – adults now – boy and girl. Ms. Moore is a first-time grandmother – her daughter just had twin boys
Hobbies and Interests:	Music: jazz, blues and gospel. She comes from a family of musicians. Taking care of family members' children, and in the future, being part of the foster-care program.
Words of Wisdom:	The Golden Rule. "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

March Systemwide Operator of the Month

Name:	Kwok Y. Chan
Division:	Kirkland
Years with Muni:	21
Background:	
Birthplace:	Hong Kong
Education:	Kwong Tai Chinese High School in Hong Kong
Previous Employment:	Royal Army Service Corps,Headquarters Land Forces, Hong Kong
Marital Status:	Married to Janice, a seamstress
Children:	Judy, 25, and Tony, 23
Hobbies and Interests:	Fishing, table tennis and Chinese calligraphy
Words of Wisdom:	"Patience + helpfulness + dedication = success."



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March Systemwide Operator of the Month Kwok Y. Chan of Kirkland

Awards

March Systemwide Operator of the Month Runner-up

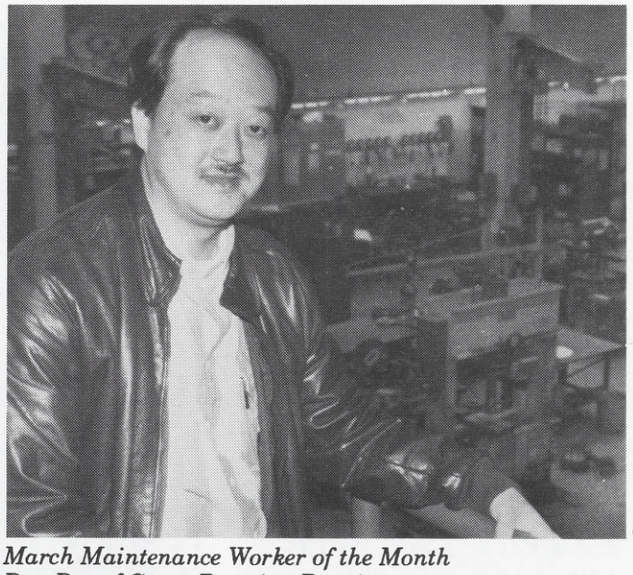
Photo: Kurt Wong

March Systemwide Operator of the Month runner-up Joseph Watkins, Jr. of Kirkland

Name:	Joseph Watkins, Jr.
Division:	Kirkland
Years with Muni:	21
Background:	
Birthplace:	Plaquemines, Louisiana
Education:	St. Augustine Elementary, Iberville High School, Xavier University; B.A. Elementary Education, Southern University, 1959
Previous Employment:	Custodian at City Hall in SF
Marital Status:	Married to Patricia, who is employed by Wells Fargo Bank in the real estate department in Walnut Creek
Children:	Michelle
Hobbies and Interests:	Fishing, bowling, bicycling, hunting, football, electronics and reading
Words of Wisdom:	"Be careful of the people you step on on the way up because you'll meet the same people on the way down."

March Maintenance Worker of the Month

Name:	Don Der
Division:	Green Running Repair
Position:	Electrical Transit Service Worker
Years with Muni:	Six
Background:	
Birthplace:	China
Education:	B.A. and Secondary Teaching Credential, SF State University
Previous Employment:	Marina Middle School
Marital Status:	Married to Lauren, a housewife
Children:	Shirley, 10, Joseph, 8 and Kristine, 6
Hobbies/Interests:	Tennis and other sports
Words of Wisdom:	"Think positive."



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March Maintenance Worker of the Month Don Der of Green Running Repair

News

May Transit Alternatives

The month of May has been designated National Bike Month by the National Safety Council with National Bike to Work Day scheduled for May 19. In addition, the week of May 2 through 8 has been designated Clean Air Week by the American Lung Association, and the American Public Transit Association is sponsoring Try Transit Week from May 10 through 16 with National Transit Day on May 13. All these events are geared to call attention to the need for improved air quality and the use of alternative transportation to the automobile.

You can do your part in the following ways: carpool, vanpool, bicycle, walk or use public transit. Do not drive alone. To further reduce air pollution, use vehicles that use alternative fuels such as natural gas or electricity. Refrain from using aerosol sprays or oil-based paints. If you have a fireplace, reduce wood burning. For further information, call the National Safety Council at 312-527-4800, APTA at 202 898-4000 or 1-800-HELP-AIR.

Save and Borrow!

The Muni Shopmen's Credit Union is holding a membership drive that includes a raffle. All Muni employees are eligible to join. If you become a new member, you automatically receive a raffle ticket that could give you $200 if you're the lucky winner.

In addition, once you're a member, you can participate in quarterly drawings that could earn you $100 if you're the winner.

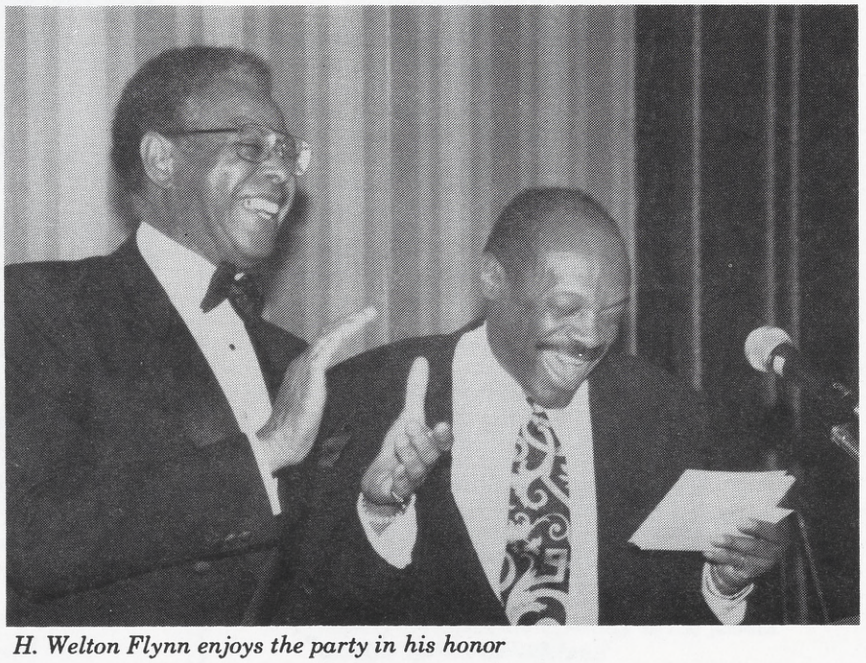
The Muni Shopmen's Credit Union offers high dividends and low interest rates for loans. For details on savings plans and loans or for an application, call Susan Gogas at 648-2828.

Five Hundred Attend Welton Flynn Party

The tribute to H. Welton Flynn held in the Grand Ballroom at the Westin St. Francis Hotel on Wednesday, March 4th drew a crowd of over 500 people who came to bid farewell to Mr. Flynn following his resignation from the SF Public Utilities Commission.

Master of Ceremonies Willie Brown and a host of other city and state officials were on hand to fete Mr. Flynn with a dinner and slide show commemorating his 21 years as PUC commissioner.

Many thanks to the private and public sector individuals who made this event such a success, and a fond farewell to Mr. Flynn on behalf of Muni.



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H. Welton Flynn enjoys the party in his honor

Cable Car Retirement Luncheon Held

On Friday, January 31st, the Cable Car Division's crews, inspectors, and administrative staff hosted a retirement luncheon for Superintendent Walter Ware, and six operators – Harold Armstrong, Larry Flynn, Harvey Hughes, Richard Kibbe, Gino Materri and Phil Miller – who elected to take advantage of the "Three and Three" early retirement provision.

Walter Ware retires with a record of 30 years service with Muni, beginning as an operator and working his way through the ranks to become Cable Car Division Superintendent, a position he held on and off for many years. He is fondly known as "Mr. Cable Car" to many colleagues.

A group of Cable Car Division employees including conductors Debbie Ramsay and Tom Simrock, Division Union Representative Chuck Flintroy, Inspector Maria Vermiglio and operators Stan Kososki, Suo Fong and Sunny Barth stayed until 2:30 a.m. Friday to transform the Gilley Room into a festive Hawaiian paradise.

Conductor Sunny Barth presented Walter Ware with a collage she had made featuring a cable car with San Francisco Bay in the background surrounded by photographs of the Division's staff.

We wish each of the retirees many healthy and happy years. We'll miss you!

Photo: Carmen Magaña

Walter Ware and cohorts Carlos Carillo and Ed Jones have a Slice toast to Walter's retirement.

PHOTO CONTEST

Friendship Publications is holding its annual Bus Photo Competition, open to amateur photographers. Entries must show one or more buses. The background or setting is an important criterion in judging. All photos must have been taken after January 1, 1991. First Prize winners will receive $150. For entry forms, write to Friendship Publications, Box 1472, Spokane, Washington 99210-1472. The deadline for submission of entries is July 10, 1992.

Riders Speak

Dear Employees and Management of SF Muni,

My wife and I were on vacation in Berkeley and San Francisco from January 2-10. Though we had a rented car, we chose to ride Muni most days.

Your drivers were great, all six or seven (we encountered). Polite to passengers and pedestrians. Very helpful to passengers with suggestions on how to get around.

The map was also helpful – in parts of the city better than a purchased guide.

You should be pleased and proud of the excellent job you are doing. Thank you. Also, Muni is a good reason to prefer San Francisco as a tourist spot to New York, Chicago, etc.

Sincerely,
C.H. Rumsey
Clarion, Pennsylvania

TRANSITIONS

Farewell and good luck to the many ermployees who chose to take advantage of Proposition A, the early re-tirement provision. The following retirees are listed by classification:

1404 Madeline Gulberg, 1424 Grace Ferry, 1426 ZenaidaVillanueva, 1446 Linda Casciola, 1853 Barbara Milburn, Lola Young, 2708 Cecil Hurd, Jr.,Kenny Lien, Eduard Valadao, 2716 Mary Williams, 5174 Gary Seib, 5210 Lindbergh Low, 5212 Finn Haaskjold, 5240 Galen Sarno, 5254 Walter Orloff, 5256 Pedrito Paraguya, 7130 Donald Haagstad, 7249 William Canizales, John Cruse, Michael Fischer, 7253 John Ellingsen, William Lund, Nick Zaboukos, 7258 Donald Loo, 7306 Warren Ng, Leonid Yurchenko, 7309 Marco Jordan, 7318 Walter Cooke, Richard Loesch, Melvin Moore, Antonio Subijano, Alfredo Talorda, Julius Won, 7329 Joseph Micallef, Masamitsu Yoshida, 7332 Loy Lew, Robert Winehow, 7334 Robert Lee, 7335 Fred Cardella, 7340 Fred Swain, 7344 Michael Murphy, 7379 Charlie Camilleri, Teofilo Cortez, John Cutajar, Wally Jentzsch, George Muscat, Jim Muscat, Lloyd Vigil, 7380 Harold Ellingsen, James Mohr, Anthony Stellini, 7381 Enrique Barnes, Wain-Chen Chang, Robert Fontan, Claude Haynie, Theodore McCann, Maynard Wolfe, 7382 Joseph Sanchez, Salim Solomom, 7409 Leonard Schwartz, Leon Stevenson, 7410 John Estebez, Claude Goode, Sr. Robert Linton, Ming Tsia, 7412 Rudy Zamora, 7530 Gratien Oynehart, 7540 Thomas Shea, 9102 Burney Douglas, Jr. Igene Edwards, R. H. Hillis, James Moore, Charles Rainey, 9104 Willie Quarels, 9106 Christo Christensen, 9122 Louis Fort, Curtis Jones, 9126 Henry Wong, 9131 Philip Aganon, Geordis Conoly, 9139 John Alexander, Jr., Nathan Attaway, Walter Barnes, Neilson Bates, Jasper Collier, Jospeh Dorsey, Jr., M. George-Taylor, A.V. Grace, William Haynes, Virgil Herndon, John Hopper, Jr. Jospeh Jennings, Elton Kirkwood, Harry Leonard, Ted Messersmith, Silvino Navarro, John Owens, Joan Parr, Samuel Phillips, Merlin Porter Jr., Frank Robinson, Joseph Samiere, Leon Saulny, Jack Schwartz, Robert Sheneman, Gerald Taber, Raymond Tate, William Valentine 9140 Mark Gray, Herbert Jack Donald Morgan, Edward Riley, James Ruth 9141 Richard Conoly, Windroff Newton, James Sauer, James Stewart, Walter Ware, 9163 Lorenzo Adamson, Ricardo Anderson, Harold Armstrong, Bert Babick, Benjamin Barfield, Andrew Bass, Leon Bellamy, Carter Bell, Ralph Booker, Willie Booth, Carlton Brooks, Charles Brown, Thomas Brown, Joseph Bryant, Ernesto Buenafe, Henry Burford, Jr., Fred Butler, Teodoro Castro, George Cea, Kwok Y. Chan, Sik K. Chau, Clarence Chiles, George Chin, Ying Chin, Thomas Chisholm, Robert Chism, Sanford Collins, Alice Cross, Edward Cummings, Norman Deams, Emanuel Dean, Franklin Devore, Honor Dixon, William Dye, Charles Elmore, Edward Esther, J.B. Farr, Babe Fluker, Lawrence Flynn, Cornell Gatewood, Robert Groves Sr.,

Mayor Names New Commissioners

Mayor Frank Jordan has appointed two new commissioners to the PUC – Michael Hardeman and Patricia Carson – replacing Sherri Chiesa and Nancy Walker.

Carson, an attorney, has been in private practice in SF for more than 38 years, specializing in civil litigation, real estate, probate and conservatorships. She is a member of the Bankers Club, the SF Girls Chorus and St. Luke's Hospital Auxiliary. She is a graduate of Stanford University and Golden Gate University.

Hardeman, the Business Manager/ Financial Secretary For the Sign Display and Allied Craft Union Local 510, had served formerly on the SF Human Rights Commission under former Mayor Feinstein. He is a member of the All Bay Labor Councils and Buildings Trades Councils, the Democratic County Central Committee, the March of Dimes, the SF Zoological Society, the SPCA and formerly belonged to the SF Municipal Railway Improvement Corporation.

Commissioner Victor Makras replaces Nancy Walker as PUC Vice President.

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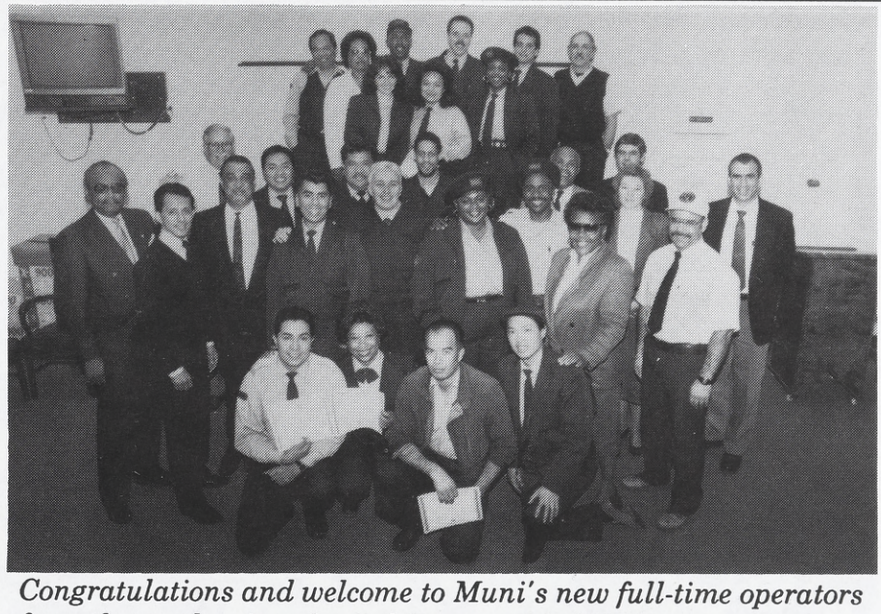
Jose Guandique, Edward Harrell, Melvin Harris, Charles Harvey, James Hawkins, Herbert Haynes, Fred Henderson, Salvador Hernandez, Levert Higgins, Osborne Hollins, Archie Huff, Harvey Hughes, Akiyoshi Inouye, James Jackson, Jr., Samuel Jackson, Clifton Jones, Donald Jones, Jr., Samuel Joseph, Eric Kalilimoku, Marshall Lacewell, Earl Lanham, Theris Lee, Luther Leonard, Ralph Lewis, Clara Lipkins, Arnold Lum, Paul Lunardi James Mabrie, Robert Mahan, Eugene Mattreri, Willie McCoy, David McCray, Lathay McFadden, Richard Milam, Phil Miller, Frank Moran, Joseph Morrison, Lenis Moss, Angel Ornelas, Robert Palmer, Isidro Pascual, Price Phelps, George Phipps, Melvin Pittman, James Poole, Teddy Presher, L.T. Randolph, John Riley, Jospeh Rodgers, Miguel Rosado, Rich Royston, Educardo Sanz, Emmett Shannon, Richard Smith, Marion Sullivan, Rupert Tagnipes, Lester Thomas, Woodrow Thomas, Louis Tiffer, Elmer Trujillo, Freddie Turner, Ben Velez, Antonio Vickroy, Herschell Wallace, Joseph Watkins, Jr., Curtis Williams, Jay Williams, Samuel Williams, Wilbert Williams, Alfred Willingham, Jing Woo, 9183 Edward Pearson.



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Congratulations and welcome to Muni's new full-time operators from the graduating class of January 29, 1992!

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at least one accessible car per train by 1995.

4. Newly constructed rail systems must be fully accessible.

Nationwide, an estimated 43 million people are disabled, making their use of transportation, computers, telephones, restaurants and theaters and many services the general population takes for granted a difficult challenge.

San Francisco and Muni are ahead of many cities and transit systems in complying with ADA already and will continue to expand accessibility. Muni opened its Elderly and Handicapped Office, now called Accessible Services, back in 1979 in an effort to address the transportation needs of the disabled community. All new Muni buses purchased since the mid-eighties have been equipped with wheelchair lifts and kneelers. In addition, the Muni Metro is accessible at all nine underground stations, and Muni has constructed wayside accessible platforms at nine key surface Metro sites. Plans to expand Muni Metro accessibility on the surface portions of the system are now being developed.

Muni also manages a paratransit program providing door-to-door van and taxi services for those passengers with disabilities who are unable to use regular public transit.

The following Muni lines are accessible: 2, 9, 9X, 15, 17, 18, 23 (Sat-urday and Sunday only), 26, 28, 29, 31, 32, 35, 36, 37, 38, 38L, 39, 42, 43, 44, 48, 52, 53, 54, 56, 71, 76, 89, 90 OWL, and the first two trips of the Ballpark Expresses.

If you or someone you know is disabled and would like information on Muni's Accessible Program, please call Accessible Services at 923-6142.

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party will be held between Fourth and Fifth Street on Market in front of the S.F. Center. The cars will be on display for those who would like to take pictures until 2:00 p.m. when passenger service will begin, lasting until 6:00 p.m.

Photo: Carmen Magaña

Although the American Disabilities Act was signed into law in 1990, Muni was complying with many provisions long before that.

The 100th Anniversary Celebration of Streetcar Operation in San Francisco will be a rare opportunity for passengers to ride on Muni's historic cars. Muni owns 17 historic cars from around the world, donated to Muni for operation during the summer Historic Trolley Festival, which ran from 1983-1987 and has been suspended for the last four years due to a lack of operating funds.

Among the cars that passengers may be able to ride that weekend are a San Francisco streetcar built in 1895; Muni's Car No. 1 built in 1912, which is the oldest operating U.S. streetcar built for a publicly owned system; and foreign cars from England, Germany, Italy, Portugal, Japan, and Australia.

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